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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Accreditation of international associations of local authorities

Note by the Secretariat

1. The Preparatory Committee, at its second session, adopted decision 11/4 which describes the modalities for the accreditation and representation of local authorities in the Conference. The General Assembly, in its resolution 50/100, endorsed decision 11/4 of the Preparatory Committee of the Conference. Accordingly, the Preparatory Committee, at its third meeting, granted accreditation to four international associations of local authorities.

2. Attached to the present note is a list of international associations of local authorities that have applied for accreditation to the Conference. All have been evaluated by the Conference secretariat and are recommended for accreditation. Additional names of international associations of local authorities will be included in addenda to this note.

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ACCREDITATION OF
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES

International Association of Peace Messenger Cities
(Association Internationale des Villes Messageres de la Paix)

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Telefax	:	22 311 83 63
Contact	:	Andre Hediger
Membership	:	International

Relevance : The organization works in the areas of development, disarmament, environment, human rights, conflict resolution and its principal objective is to achieve peace in the world.

National Association of Counties - NACO
(major Local Government Associations of North America)

Address	:	440 First str, NW Washington, DC 20001 United States of America
Telephone	:	1 202 942 4201
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Membership	:	National

Relevance : The organization represents county governments in the USA; serves as a liaison with other levels of government, works to improve public understanding of counties, acts as a national advocate for counties and helps counties find innovative methods for meeting the challenges they face. It is also one of the four associations of local authorities that represents the North American region.

United States Conference of Mayors
(major Local Government Associations of North America)

Address	:	4th Flr 1620 Eye Str, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006 United States of America
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Membership	:	National

Relevance : The United States Conference of Mayors is the official nonpartisan organization of cities. It is one of the four associations of local authorities that represent the North American region and undertakes programmes that provide technical assistance to city mayors on a variety of issues, including economic development, crime and violence prevention, housing and economic development and environment protection. It also maintains contacts with the Congress and the President to enact legislation that will meet the needs of local authorities.